

# A New Dynamical Picture for Production and Decay of the XYZ Mesons



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# Outline

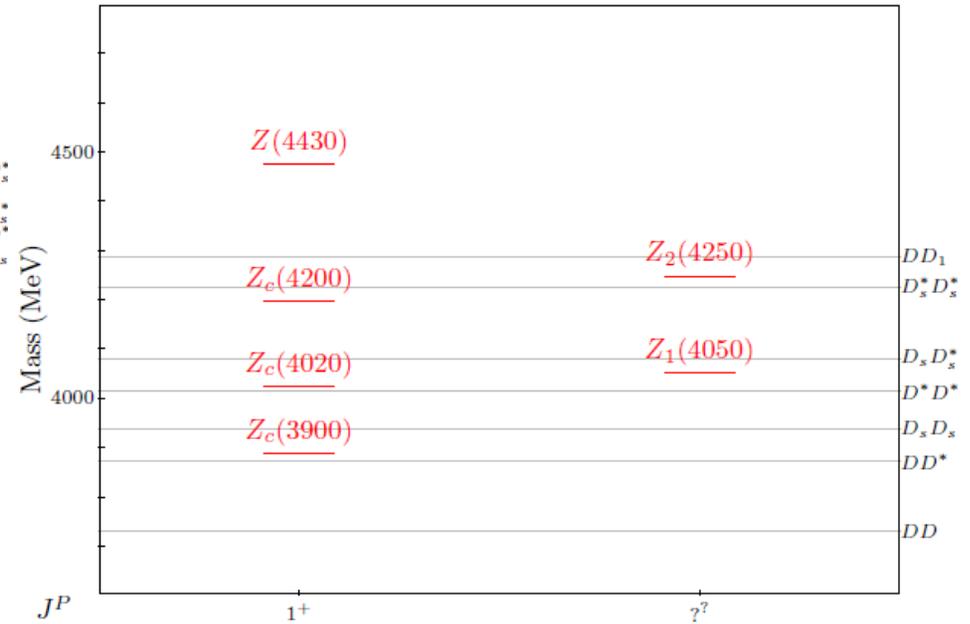
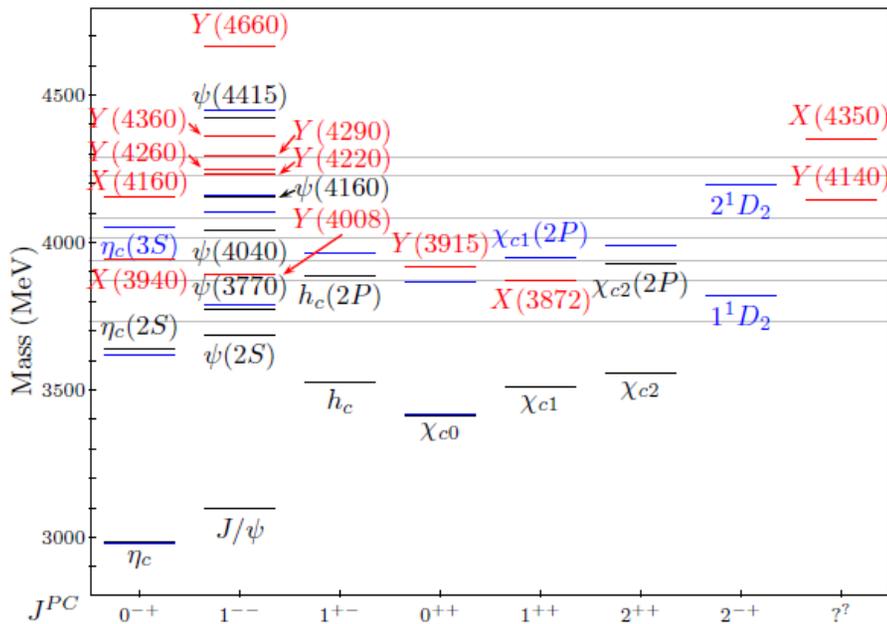
- 1) The forest of exotics  $X, Y, Z$
- 2) How are the tetraquarks assembled?
- 3) A new dynamical picture for the  $X, Y, Z$
- 4) Puzzles resolved by the new picture
- 5) Next directions: Using constituent counting rules
- 6) Conclusions

# Charmonium: November 2014

Esposito *et al.*, 1411.5997

Neutral

Charged



Black: Observed conventional  $c\bar{c}$  states

Blue: Predicted conventional  $c\bar{c}$  states

Red: Exotic  $c\bar{c}$  states

# How are tetraquarks assembled?

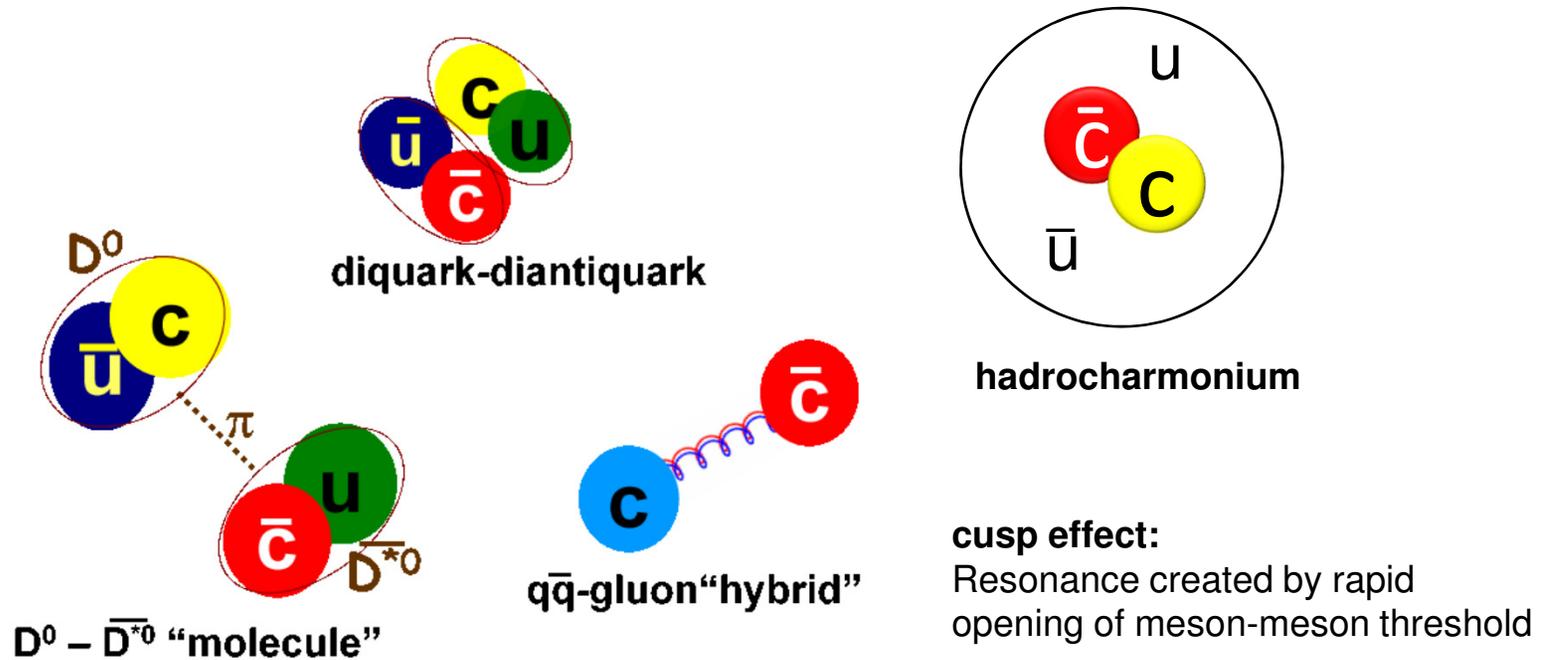


Image from Godfrey & Olsen,  
Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. **58** (2008) 51

# Trouble with the dynamical pictures

- Hybrids
  - Neutral states only; what are the  $Z$ 's?
  - Only certain quantum numbers (*e.g.*,  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$ ) easily produced
- Diquark and hadrocharmonium pictures
  - What keeps states from instantly segregating into meson pairs?
  - Diquark models tend to overpredict the number of bound states
  - Why wouldn't hadrocharmonium *always* decay into charmonium, instead of  $D\bar{D}$ ?
- Cusp effect
  - Might be able to generate some resonances on its own, but >20 of them? And certainly not ones as narrow as  $X(3872)$  ( $\Gamma < 1.2$  MeV)

# The hadron molecular picture

- Several  $XYZ$  states are *suspiciously* close to hadron thresholds
  - *e.g.*,  $m_{X(3872)} - m_{D^{*0}} - m_{D^0} = -0.11 \pm 0.21$  MeV
- So we theorists have *hundreds* of papers analyzing the  $XYZ$  states as dimeson molecules
- But not all of them are!
  - *e.g.*,  $Z(4475)$  is a prime example
- Also, some  $XYZ$  states lie slightly *above* a hadronic threshold
  - *e.g.*,  $Y(4260)$  lies about 30 MeV above the  $D_S^* \overline{D}_S^*$  threshold
  - How can one have a bound state with *positive* binding energy?

# Prompt production

- If hadronic molecules are really formed, they must be very weakly bound, with very low relative momentum between their mesonic components
- They might appear in  $B$  decays, but would almost always be blown apart in collider experiments
- But CDF & CMS saw lots of them! [Prompt  $X(3872)$  production,  $\sigma \approx 30$  nb]
  - CDF Collaboration (A. Abulencia *et al.*), PRL **98**, 132002 (2007)
  - CMS Collaboration (S. Chatrchyan *et al.*), JHEP **1304**, 154 (2013)
- Perhaps final-state interactions due to  $\pi$  exchange between  $D^0$  and  $\overline{D}^{*0}$ ?
  - P. Artoisenet and E. Braaten, Phys. Rev. D **81**, 114018 (2010); D **83**, 014019 (2011)
- Such effects can be significant, but do not appear to be sufficient to explain the size of the prompt production
  - C. Bignamini *et al.*, Phys.Lett. B **228** (2010); A. Esposito *et al.*, J. Mod. Phys. **4**, 1569 (2013); A. Guerrieri *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **90**, 034003 (2014)
- Hadronic molecules may exist, but  $X(3872)$  does not seem to fit the profile

## Amazing (well-known) fact about color:

- The short-distance color attraction of combining two color-**3** quarks into a color- $\bar{\mathbf{3}}$  diquark is *fully half as strong* as that of combining a **3** and a  $\bar{\mathbf{3}}$  into a color singlet (*i.e.*, diquark attraction is nearly as strong as the confining attraction)

- Just as one computes a spin-spin coupling,

$$\vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{s}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (\vec{s}_1 + \vec{s}_2)^2 - \vec{s}_1^2 - \vec{s}_2^2 \right],$$

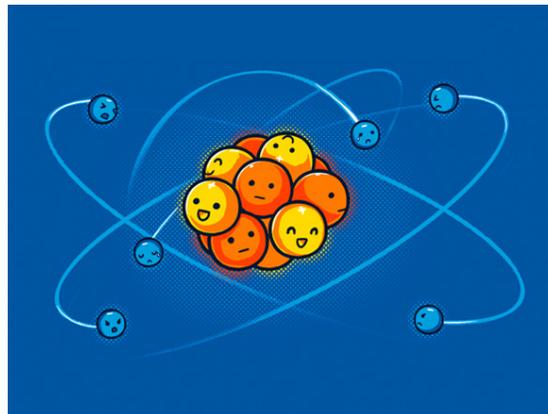
from two particles in representations **1** and **2** combined into representation **1+2**,

- The generic rule in terms of quadratic Casimir  $C_2$  of representation  $R$  is  $\frac{1}{2} [C_2(R_{1+2}) - C_2(R_1) - C_2(R_2)]$ ; this formula gives the result stated above

# A new tetraquark picture

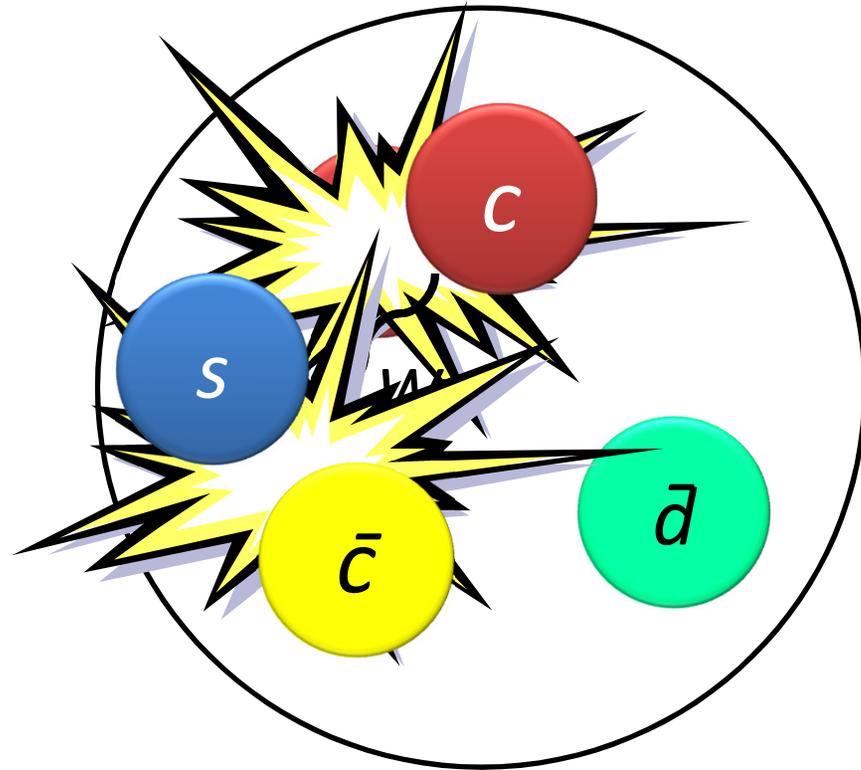
Stanley J. Brodsky, Dae Sung Hwang, RFL  
Physical Review Letters **113**, 112001 (2014)

- CLAIM: At least some of the observed tetraquark states are bound states of diquark-antidiquark pairs
- BUT the pairs are not in a static configuration; they are created with a lot of relative energy, and rapidly separate from each other
- Diquarks are not color singlets! They are in either a  $\bar{3}$  (attractive) or a  $6$  (repulsive) and cannot, due to confinement, separate asymptotically far
- They must hadronize via large- $r$  tails of mesonic wave functions, which suppresses decay widths
- Want to see this in action? Time for some cartoons!



# Nonleptonic $\bar{B}^0$ meson decay

B.R.  $\sim 22\%$



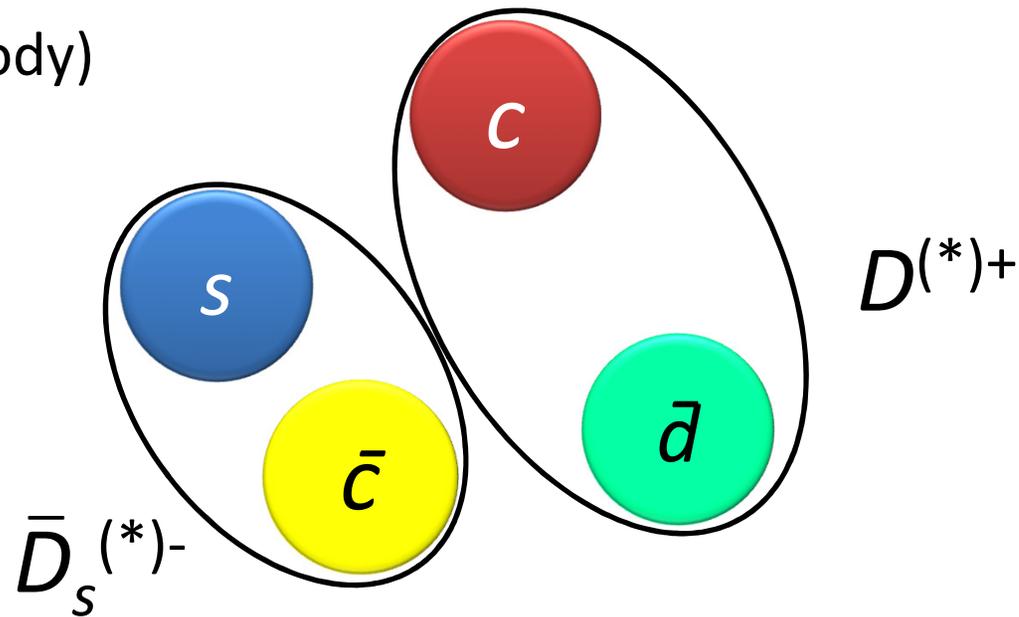
**Powerpoint version containing animations available  
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# What happens next?

## Option 1: Color-allowed

B.R.  $\sim 5\%$

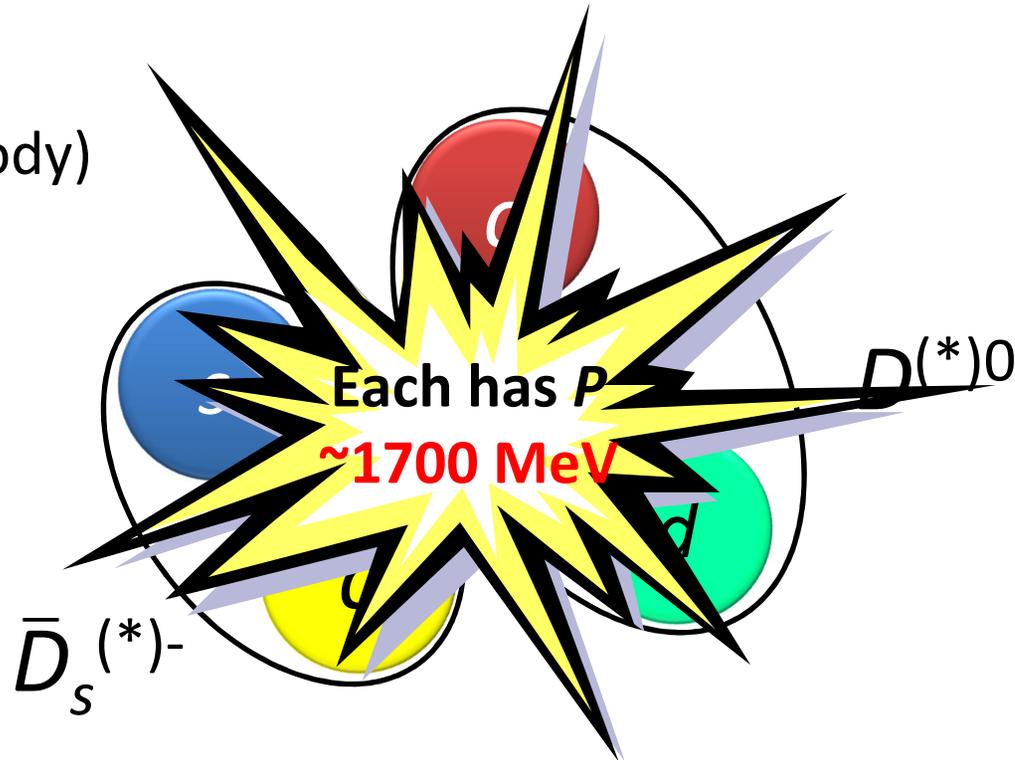
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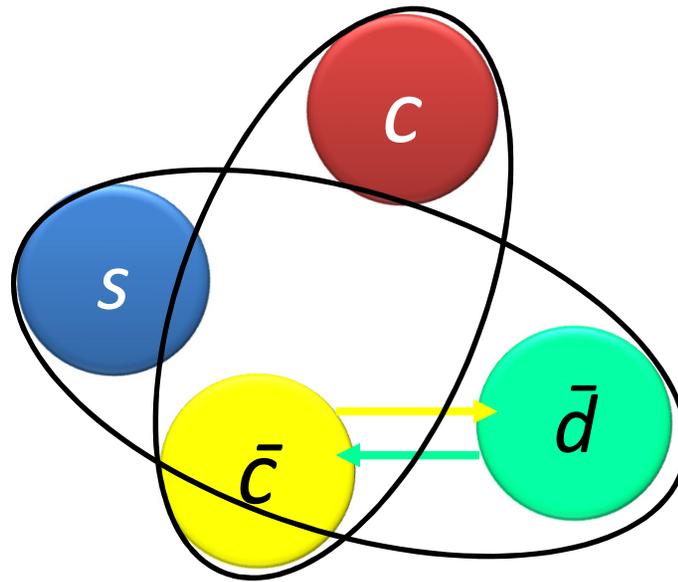
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## Option 2: Color-suppressed

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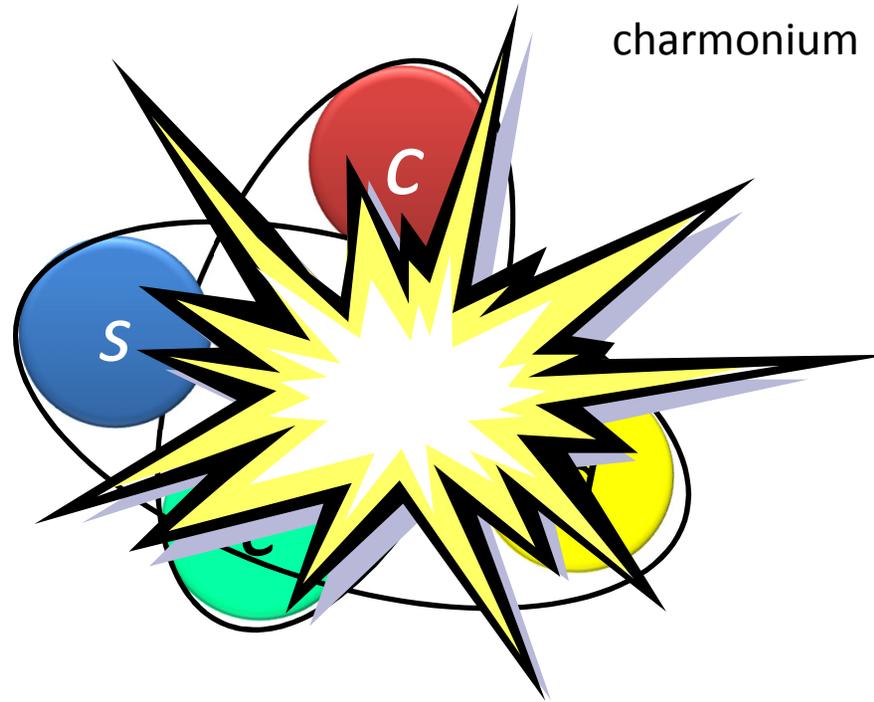


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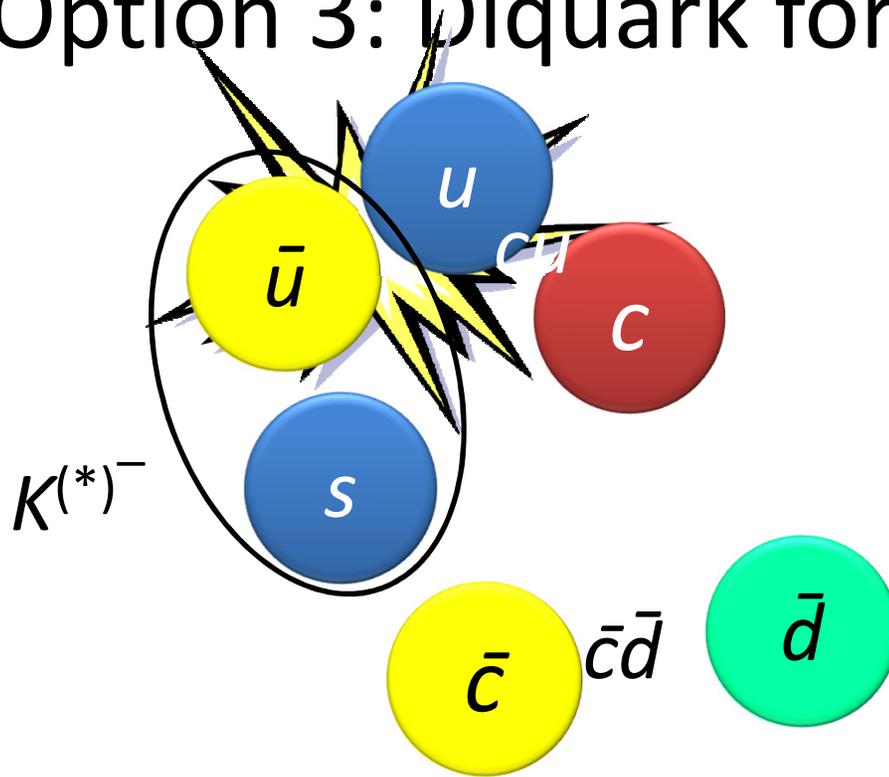
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$\bar{K}^{(*)0}$



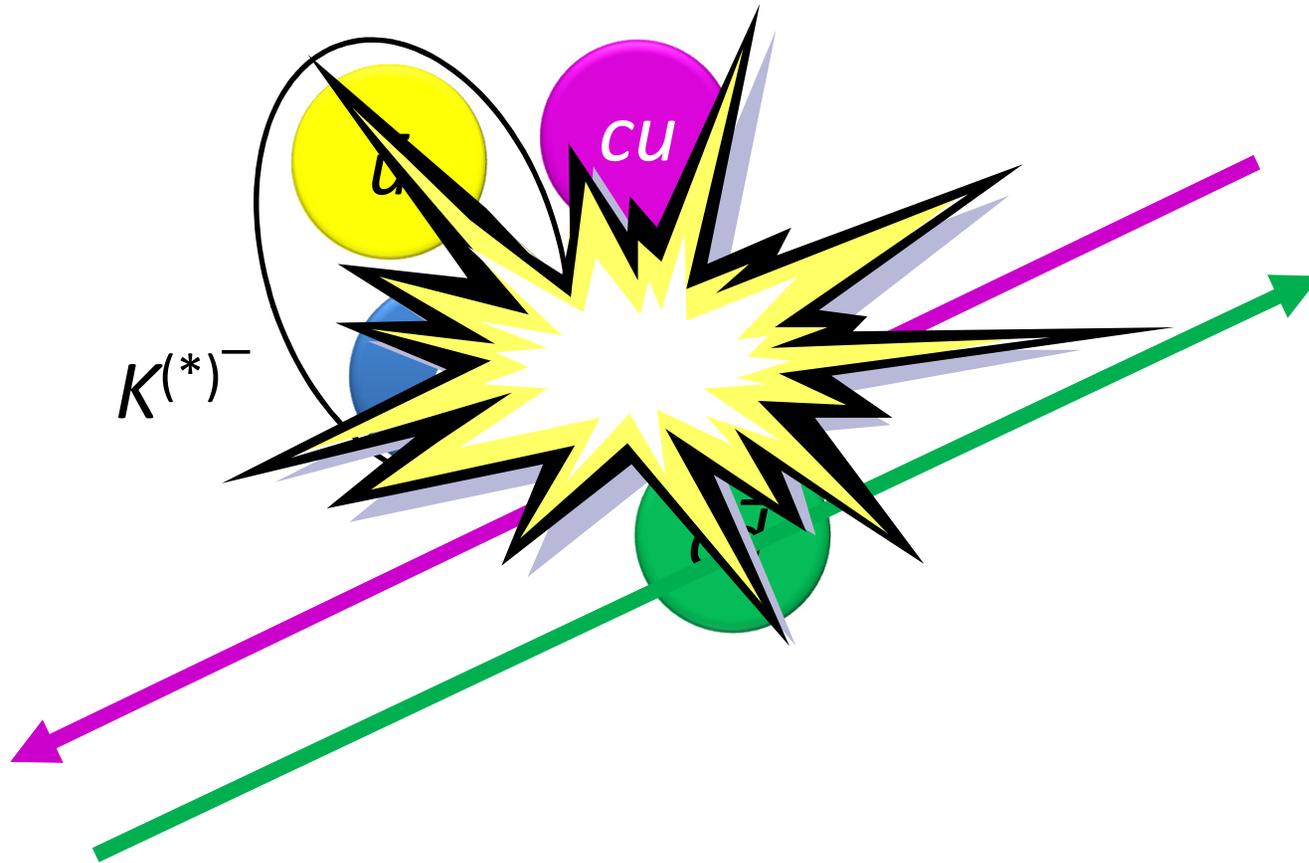
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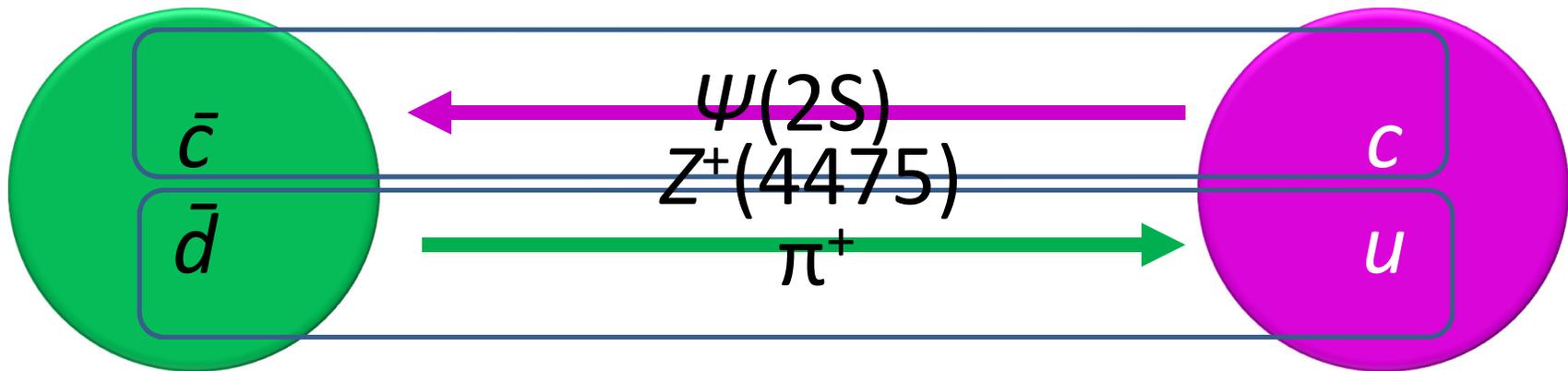


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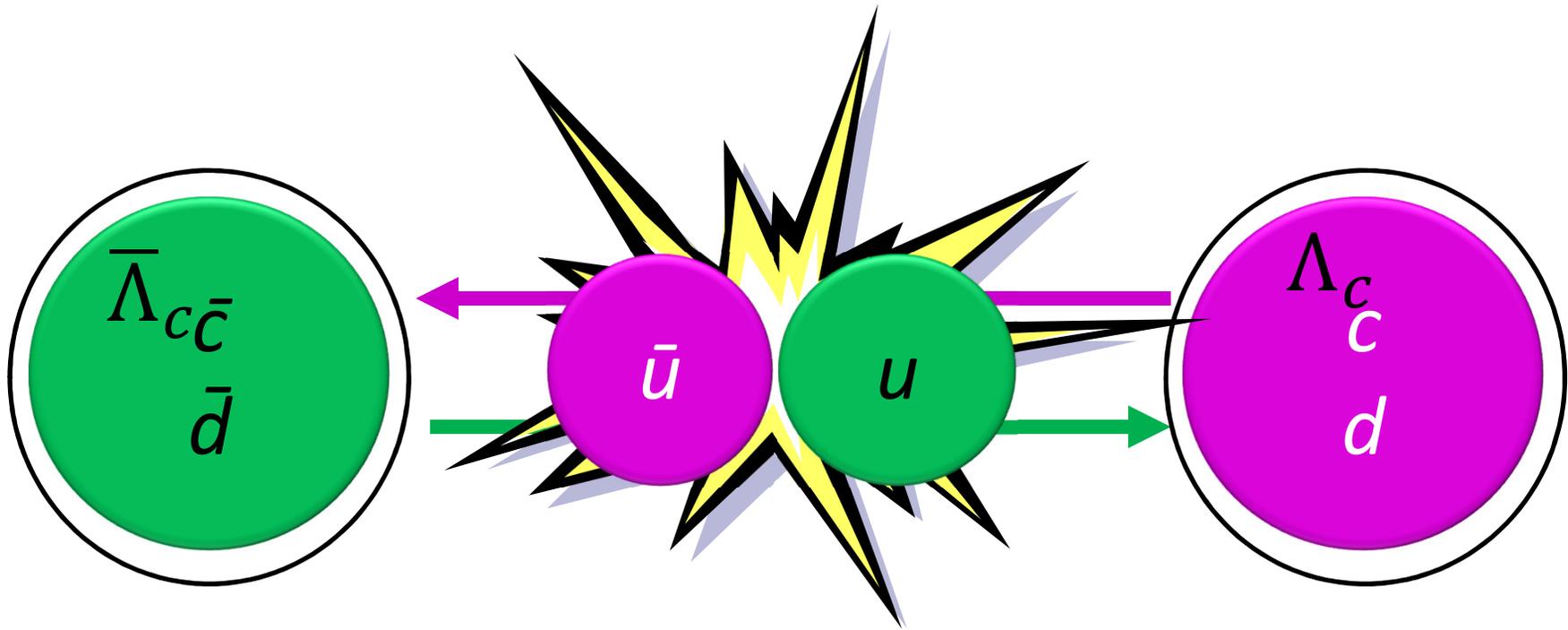
## Option 3: Diquark formation



*Driven apart by kinematics,  
yet bound together by confinement,  
our star-crossed diquarks  
must somehow hadronize as one*



Why doesn't this just happen?  
It's called *baryonium*



It *does* happen, as soon as the threshold  $2M_{\Lambda_c} = 4573$  MeV is passed  
The lightest exotic above this threshold,  $X(4632)$ , decays into  $\Lambda_c + \bar{\Lambda}_c$

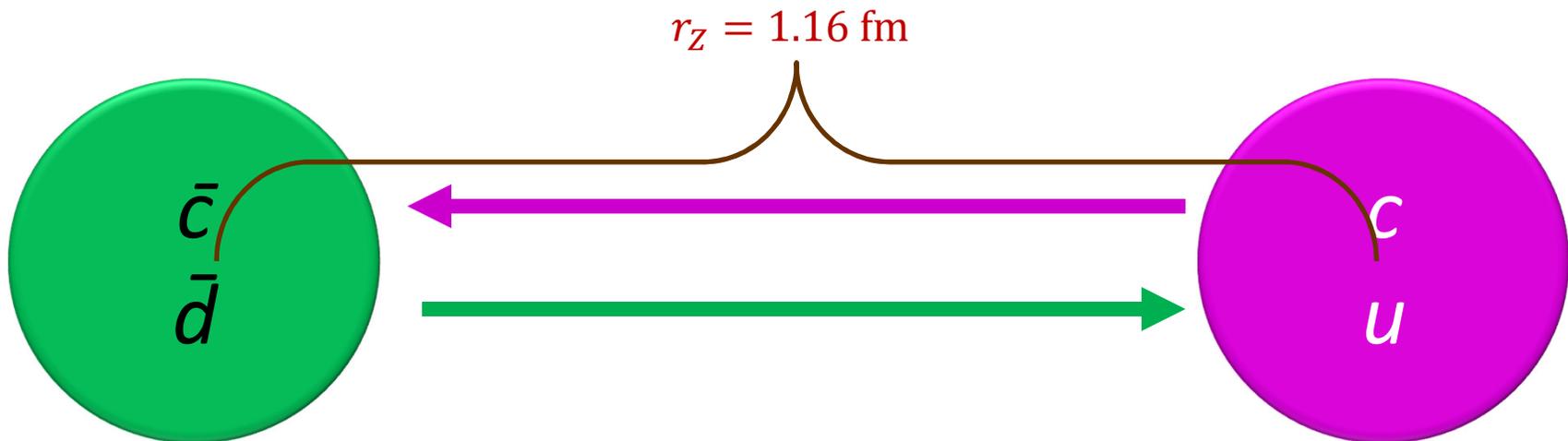
# How far apart do the diquarks actually get?

- Since this is still a  $\mathbf{3} \leftrightarrow \bar{\mathbf{3}}$  color interaction, just use the Cornell potential:

$$V(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} + br + \frac{32\pi\alpha_s}{9m_{cq}^2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^3 e^{-\sigma^2 r^2} \mathbf{S}_{cq} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{\bar{c}\bar{q}},$$

[This variant: Barnes et al., PRD **72**, 054026 (2005)]

- Use that the kinetic energy released in  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow K^- + Z^+$  (4475) converts into potential energy until the diquarks come to rest
- Hadronization most effective at this point (WKB turning point)

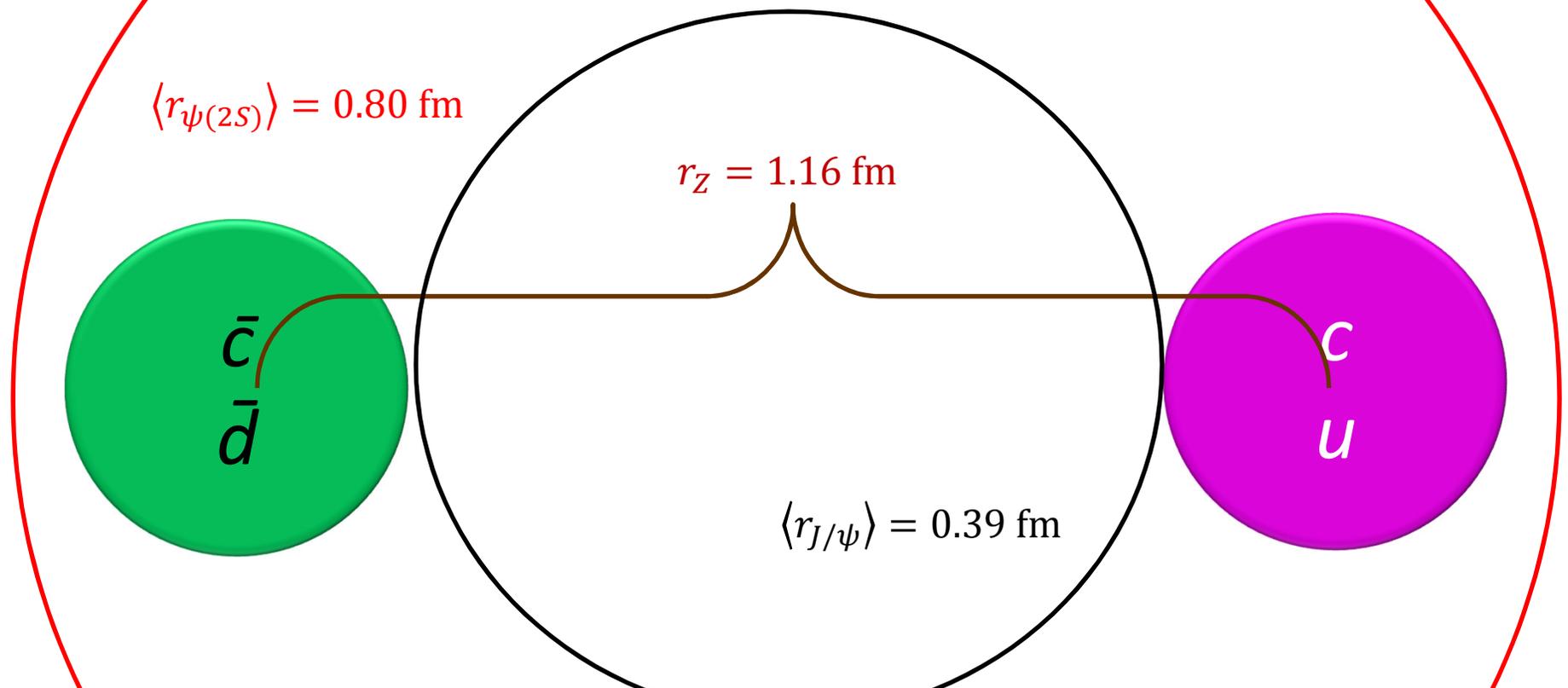


# Fascinating $Z(4475)$ fact:

Belle [K. Chilikin *et al.*, PRD **90**, 112009 (2014)] says:

$$\frac{\text{B. R. } [Z^-(4475) \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^-]}{\text{B. R. } [Z^-(4475) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^-]} > \mathbf{10}$$

and LHCb has never even reported seeing the  $J/\psi$  mode



# The large- $r$ wave function tails and resonance widths

- The simple fact that the diquark-antidiquark pair is capable of separating further than the typical mean size of ordinary hadrons before coming to rest implies:
  - The hadronization overlap matrix elements are suppressed,  $SO$
  - The hadronization rate is suppressed,  $SO$
  - The width is smaller than predicted by generic dimensional analysis (*i.e.*, by phase space alone)
- *e.g.*,  $\Gamma[Z(4475)] = 180 \pm 31 \text{ MeV}$   
(*cf.*  $\Gamma[\rho(770)] = 150 \text{ MeV}$ )
- But why would these diquark-antidiquark states behave like resonances at all?

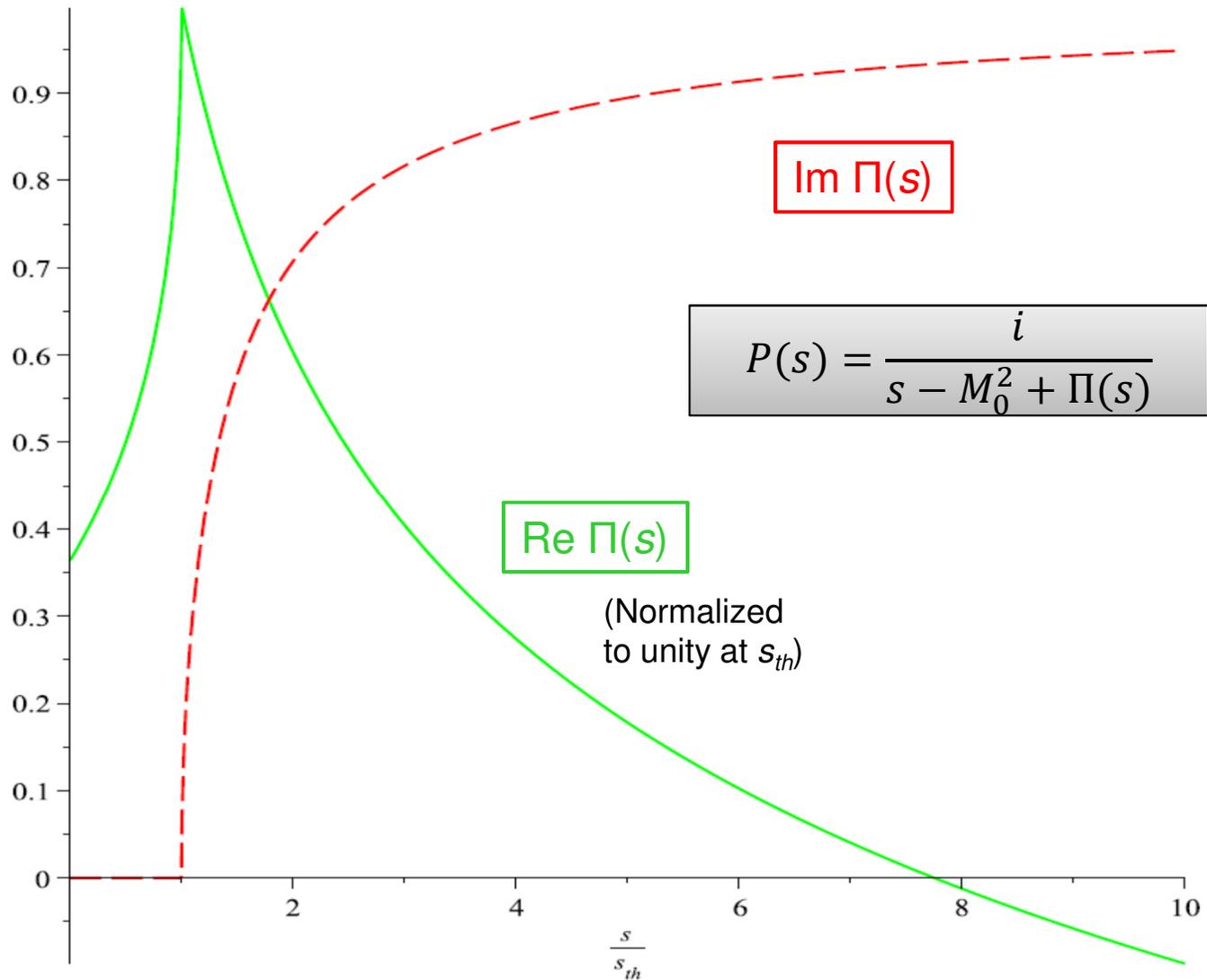
## For one thing,

- Diquark-antidiquark pairs create their own bound-state spectroscopy [L. Maiani *et al.*, PRD **71** (2005) 014028]
- Original 2005 version predicts states with quantum numbers and multiplicities not found to exist, but a new version of the model [L. Maiani *et al.*, PRD **89** (2014) 114010] appears to be much more successful
  - *e.g.*, Z(4475) is radial excitation of Z(3900); Y states are  $L=1$  color flux tube excitations

And furthermore,

- The presence of nearby hadronic thresholds can attract nearby diquark resonances: *Cusp effect*

# The Cusp



# Example cusp effects

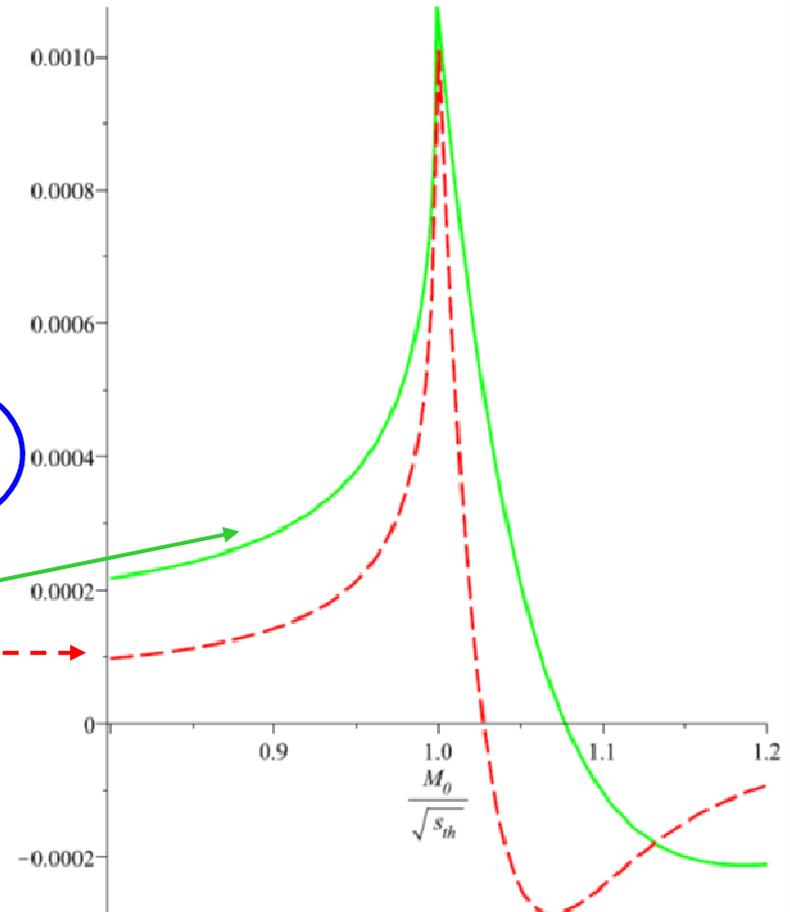
S. Blitz & RFL, arXiv:1503.04802  
(accepted to appear in PRD)

$M_0$ : Bare resonant pole mass  
 $S_{th}$ : Threshold  $s$  value [here  $(3.872 \text{ GeV})^2$ ]  
 $M_{pole}$ : Shifted pole mass

Relative size of pole shift (about 0.12% near  $S_{th}$ , or 5 MeV)

$$\frac{M_{pole} - M_0}{\sqrt{s_{th}}}$$

At the charm scale, a cusp from an opening diquark pair threshold is more effective than one from a meson pair!



# How closely can cusps attract thresholds?

- Consider the  $X(3872)$ , with  $\Gamma < 1.2$  MeV
  - Recall  $m_{X(3872)} - m_{D^*0} - m_{D^0} = -0.11 \pm 0.21$  MeV
  - Also,
$$m_{X(3872)} - m_{J/\psi} - m_{\rho_{peak}^0} = -0.50 \text{ MeV}$$
$$m_{X(3872)} - m_{J/\psi} - m_{\omega_{peak}} = -7.89 \text{ MeV}$$
  - Bugg [J. Phys. G **35** (2008) 075005]:  
 $X(3872)$  is far too narrow to be a cusp alone—  
Some sort of resonance must be present
  - Several channels all open up very near 3.872 GeV
  - All contribute to a big cusp that can drag diquark-antidiquark resonance from perhaps 10's of MeV away to become the  $X(3872)$

# What determines cusp shapes?

- Mesons: Traditional phenomenological exponential form factor:

$$F_{\text{mes}}^2(s) = \exp\left(-\frac{s-s_{th}}{\beta^2}\right),$$

where  $\beta$  is a typical hadronic scale ( $\sim 0.5-1.0$  GeV)

- High-energy ( $s$ ) processes, or when large- $s$  tails of form factors important (as in dispersion relations): Use **constituent counting rules**

[Matveev *et al.*, Lett. Nuovo Cim. **7**, 719 (1973); Brodsky & Farrar, PRL **31**, 1153 (1973)]

- In hard processes in which constituents are diverted through a finite angle, each virtual propagator redirecting them contributes a factor  $1/s$  (or  $1/t$ )

- Form factor  $F(s)$  of particle with 4 quark constituents scales as

$$F_{\text{diq}}(s) \sim \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{s}\right)^3 \rightarrow F_{\text{diq}}(s) = \left(\frac{s_{th}}{s}\right)^3$$

# Can the counting rules be used for cross sections as well?

- **With ease:** S. Brodsky and RFL, arXiv:1505.00803
- Exotic states can be produced in threshold regions in  $e^+e^-$  (BES, Belle), electroproduction (JLab 12), hadronic beam facilities (PANDA at FAIR, AFTER@LHC) and are best characterized by cross section ratios
- Two examples:

$$1) \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c^+(\bar{c}c\bar{d}u) + \pi^-(\bar{u}d))}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} \propto \frac{1}{s^6} \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty$$

$$2) \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_c^+(\bar{c}c\bar{d}u) + \pi^-(\bar{u}d))}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c(cud) + \bar{\Lambda}_c(\bar{c}\bar{u}\bar{d}))} \rightarrow \text{const as } s \rightarrow \infty$$

- Ratio numerically smaller if  $Z_c$  behaves like weakly-bound dimeson molecule instead of diquark-antidiquark bound state due to weaker meson color van der Waals forces

# Conclusions

- For the 20 or so exotic states ( $X$ ,  $Y$ ,  $Z$ ) that have thus far been observed, all of the popular physical pictures for describing their structure seem to suffer some imperfection
- We propose an entirely new dynamical picture based on a diquark-antidiquark pair rapidly separating until forced to hadronize due to confinement
- Then several problems, *e.g.*, the widths of  $X$ ,  $Y$ ,  $Z$  states and their couplings to hadrons, become much less mysterious
- The latest work exploits a cusp effect from diquark pairs, and constituent counting rules. But much more remains to be explored!